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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Michael EBENHOCH and Martin FLÜCKIGER
Serial no.	:	
For	:	SHIFTING DEVICE
Docket	:	ZAHFRI P699US

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The Commissioner for Patents
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FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

By way of preliminary amendment, please amend the above identified application as set forth below.

In the Drawings:

Please amend Figs. 1 and 2a of the drawings presently on file per the attached Submission. Also enclosed are new formal drawings including the requested amendments.

In the Specification:

Please amend paragraphs 002, 003, 005, 011, 042, 043, 058, 065, 080 and 083 of the specification as follows in which the specification additions are shown by underlining and the specification deletions are shown by strikeout. Please enter the replacement specification paragraphs into the record of this case.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-42, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein, in favor of new claims 43-84 as follows.